

**Response to Rule 312 Communication**

Application No.

10/051,776

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 04 March 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.


c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.


Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

P.S.: Applicants communication dated 3/4/04 requested office to send a signed copy of PTO Form 1449 which was not received by them. Signed copy of the same is enclosed with this communication.

  
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